

Debbie's Dance School

Adult Beginners Ballroom and Latin Dance lessons
Wednesdays from 11th January 8.00 pm-9.30 pm

Are you looking to learn to dance and meet new people?

Why not join my Beginners Ballroom and Latin American dance classes on Wednesday evenings at St John's Church in the large hall for teaching and social dancing.

Great opportunity to learn to dance, learn routines and meet new people.

If interested please call me on 07939565883 or e-mail at

debbiesdanceschool@yahoo.com."

**NEW ROTAS**

Rotas for Wardens & Deputies, Sidespersons, Communion Assistants, Computer Operators, Coffee Teams etc. have recently been sent out by email. They are also available on the church website. If you are part of one of these groups and have not yet received your rota, please let Liz King know.

BIBLE READING NOTES - If you want to read the Bible and don't know where to start or if you want a deeper understanding about what God is saying to you and to His church today why not try using Bible Reading Notes. Come and talk to Jenny and John in the Bookstall and we will find something that will suit you as there are publications for all ages. We will be ordering the January 2017 editions soon and if you pay for the year we will deduct 5% from the total.

LIVING WELL - would like to thank St. John's for their continued support of the Food Bank - especially welcome at this time of year.

All the usual foodstuffs - dried goods, tins of vegetables, tinned fruit, tinned meat. Pasta, rice, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, etc. Also laundry items and toiletries.

Refreshments

Refreshments will be served on Sunday 15th January by members of Andy Avery's group.



Vicar: Rev'd Liz Lander ☎ 8650 6110 ✉ landerliz@yahoo.co.uk (Liz's day off is Saturday)

Associate Vicar: Rev'd Scott Smith ☎ 8289 4819 ✉ smithscott@hotmail.com (Scott's day off is Friday)

Churchwardens: Julia Lewis ☎ 8462 3508 and Tony Peters ☎ 8402 1876

Church Office: Liz King ☎ 8650 3515 ✉ office@sjep.org Website: www.sjep.org

Office Hours: Mon, Weds, Thurs & Fri 8.00 am-4.00 pm **CLOSED TUESDAYS**

News & Notices**8th January 2017**

A very warm welcome to you all, especially if you are new to St. John's or you are just visiting - we are delighted to have you with us. Refreshments will be served after the service so do please stay and join us for coffee/tea.

Sunday 8th January

10.00 am All Age Worship - Rev'd Liz Lander
Abraham

6.30 pm Hour of Prayer - Rev'd Scott Smith

Wednesday 11th January

11.15 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Scott Smith

Sunday 15th January

10.00 am Holy Communion - Rev'd Scott Smith
Adoration

3.30 pm



For families with young children. Crafts and activities, songs, Bible story and afternoon tea!

Special Prayer for first Sunday of Epiphany

*Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognise him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen*

If you would like prayer today - please speak to the person leading the service who will find someone to pray with you.

Monday 9th January

- 2.00 pm Focus - A New Year!
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Tuesday 10th January

- 10.00 am The Ark
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Wednesday 11th January

- 9.00 am Parish Prayers
- 11.15 am Holy Communion
- 12.30 pm LINK - (*don't forget to book your lunch in advance*)
- 1.30 pm Art Class - Beginners welcome
- 2.00 pm Exercise class for all ages and abilities
- 5.30 pm Kingfishers
- 8.00 pm Homegroups

Friday 13th January

- 8.45 am Parish Prayers

Please pray for:

- Joan Robinson
- Margaret Murrell
- Judy Bedford
- Clive Porthouse
- Brian & Rosemary Clayton
- Dave King
- Jane Newman
- Graham Mountford
- David Plummer
- Paul Allen
- Essie Grives
- Alasdair Cameron
- Keith Shelley

Special prayer topics

- People going out to work
- Residents who live in Leaveland Close



Alpha is starting at St John's at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1st February 2017.

We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view.

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith.

Who's it for?

Alpha is for anyone who's curious. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you like.

How does it work?

Alpha is eleven sessions with a day away in the middle. Each session includes food, a short talk and discussion at the end where you can share your thoughts. At any point, if you think Alpha isn't for you, that's not a problem. There's no pressure, no follow up.

How much is it?

There's no charge to do Alpha, though we do ask for a contribution towards food.

For further information please speak to Liz or Scott or contact the Church office.

Don't forget to pass on information about the Alpha Course and also be praying for those people who might be thinking about coming along.

New Sermon Series

Today we commence a new Sermon Series on prayer based around the Lord's prayer. The series will incorporate videos and normal preaching.

New Address List

We will shortly issue a new Church Address List. If you have changed any of your details, i.e. phone numbers or email addresses since the last list was issued please do check the large print copy on the Information Table and make any changes necessary. Also, if you do not appear in the list and would like your details to be included, please complete one of the address cards to be found on the Information Table or email your details to the office. Thank you. Email: office@sjep.org